

RULES – Theme – “All I want for Christmas is...”

Rutherford County Christmas Parade

SUNDAY - December 14, 2014

Entry Deadline – Friday – Dec. 5, 2014

East Main St. and Middle TN Blvd. to W. Main St. and Walnut, Murfreesboro

Read and sign a copy of this page to include with your entry, keep a copy for your reference.

To all our participants:

We will be starting our county parade at exactly 2:00 pm. We will also be shortening the length of the parade by eliminating many vehicles due to the start location this year. **The start location for floats will be directly off of East Main Street near the entrance of MTSU.** Your EXACT lineup location will be confirmed in your confirmation letter that you will receive by December 10th. As true last year, we have eliminated several types of wheeled entries for safety reasons. This will bring our parade in line with other parades as far as rules, but our entry fee is still staying low.

The deadline for entries is **Friday, Dec. 5, 2014** - Entries should include a photo or complete description of your tow vehicle or wheeled vehicle so that our volunteers can evaluate its safety for the parade route (if entering a float) to be accepted. Please use back of application for description. If entering a customized or antique (25 yrs or older) car or truck you need to give a description or include a photo.



Vehicles

- The following vehicles will no longer be in the parade: dump trucks, wreckers, race cars, tow trucks, no car clubs and no *individual street cars, trucks or vans. In addition go-carts, motorcycles and mini-bikes will no longer be allowed because they pose a danger to onlookers as well as participants. **See Note below The exception will be “IF” the ATV or other related vehicle is pulling a float.**
- Please do not arrive at the parade with any motorized or non-motorized vehicle as described above. Don't risk having disappointed children who are turned away because their entry includes any of the above. They won't be allowed in the parade. We absolutely don't want to eliminate anyone the day of the parade
- *Note: Although we want to shorten the parade by cutting out the above vehicles we don't want to lose your participation. You may use a car, pick-up truck or van to pull a float. This can be a good opportunity for your business to participate. Vehicles that are 25 years or older or customized are allowed as are vehicles carrying pageant winners. If you have further questions please email us at news@WGNSradio.com. Photos or a description of the vehicle must be included with entry. Sponsors will be allowed a vehicle (send via email to news@WGNSradio.com and include entry email).
- A float entry can be no longer than 45' from the front bumper of the towing vehicle to the back edge of the trailer. We will be measuring at check-in.

Candy

- Our insurance does not allow the throwing of candy. Does yours? Are you covered if someone falls off your entry while throwing candy? Are you covered if a child is hurt running out in the street to get candy? Is your business liable if you hit someone? **Do not throw candy!** Upon entering the parking lot, you will be asked if you have candy and reminded again to not throw it. If you do throw candy you will not be allowed to participate in the parade the following year, NO EXCEPTIONS. You can **hand out** candy. This year several entries will not be invited back because kids on floats were throwing candy from floats and vehicles.

Printed materials, samples, promotional giveaways:

- No! No! No! This includes political and religious materials. No food, no coupons, no cups, nothing! Candy only and only if handed out. All that wonderful stuff just turns to trash in yards, sidewalks and streets. Remember, the parade is not an advertising event.

Liability Release:

The undersigned, in consideration of being permitted to participate in the Christmas Parade Sunday, December 14, 2014 do for executors, administrators, assigns and myself, hereby release and forever discharge the sponsors and volunteers from any and every claim, demand action or right of actions, of whatever kind of nature, either in law or in equity, arising from or by reason of bodily injury or personal injuries, known or unknown, death or property damage, resulting or to result from any accident which may occur as a result of participation or any activities in connection therewith, whether by negligence or not. My signature covers all participating parties with this entry. I hereby agree to abide by all parade rules and regulations.

This must be signed by a person in authority over your group or entry.

Signature _____

Send your entry form, with this signed page, information and entry fee to PARADE, 306 S. Church St., Murfreesboro, TN 37130